PRIVILEGED TO SERVE

SUNDAY MORNING December 24, 2023

WELCOME: Darren Dent
SONG LEADER: Rod Wilson
OPENING PRAYER: Gene Blair
LORD'S TABLE: Jeff Jones
Jim Bell
Mike Seger
Larry Ward
CLOSING PRAYER: Matthew Dent

GREETERS:

SUNDAY EVENING December 24, 2023

Bill & Pat Davidson

SONG LEADER: Jeff Jones
OPENING PRAYER: Rod Wilson
LORD'S TABLE: Rick Camp
CLOSING PRAYER: Kevin Blair

WEDNESDAY EVENING December 27, 2023

SONG LEADER: Jeff Jones
PRAYER: Austin Ford
DEVOTIONAL: Rod Wilson

*Please contact Jackie Horton, if you are unable to serve.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SUNDAY:

 BIBLE CLASS
 9:30 a.m.

 WORSHIP
 10:30 a.m.

 EVENING
 5:00 p.m.

 *LAST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH
 1:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY:

BIBLE STUDY 7:00 p.m.

1st & 3rd TUESDAYS:

SENIOR MINISTRY CLASS 10:30 a.m.

2nd & 4th TUESDAYS:

LADIES BIBLE CLASS 10:30 a.m.

2nd Thursday of each month:

PANTRY OPEN from noon - 1:30 p.m.

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Kevin Blair Austin Ford Seth Fisher 501-470-6593 479-970-3988 501-581-5864

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The Night Before Jesus Came

"Twas the night before Jesus came; and all through the house,
Not a creature was praying, not one in the house.
The Bibles were laid on the shelf without care;
Assuming that Jesus would never come there.

The children were dressing to crawl into bed; Not once ever kneeling or bowing a head. Mom in her rocker, the baby in her lap, Watched the Late Show while I took a nap.

When out of the East there arose such a clatter, I sprang to my feet to see what was the matter. Away to the window – I flew like a flash, Tore open the shutter and threw back the sash.

When what to my wondering eyes should appear, But angels proclaiming that Jesus was here! With a light like the sun sending forth a bright ray, I knew in a moment, THIS MUST BE THE DAY!!

The light of His face made me cover my head, It was Jesus returning, just like He had said! And though I possessed worldly wisdom and wealth, I cried out in terror as I looked at myself. In the Book of Life which He held in His hand Was written the name of every saved man. He spoke not a word as He searched for my name, When He said, "It's not here" my head hung in shame.

The people whose names had been written in love,

He gathered and took to His Father above. With those who were ready He rose without sound,

While the rest left standing, no hope to abound.

I fell to my knees, but it was too late. I'd waited too long, thus sealing my fate. I stood and I cried as they rose out of sight, "Oh, if only we'd been ready tonight!"

In the words of this poem the meaning is clear: The coming of Jesus is now drawing near. There's only one life and when called the last call, We'll find that the Bible is true after all!

--Adapted--

Prayer Requests

*Linda Ray is at Greenbrier Nursing and Rehab Center in room 112. She has cancer and is in hospice care.

*Linda Black will have a biopsy on January 2nd.

*Kathy Camp's mother is home from the hospital. Prayers for pain relief and her bladder to work as it should.

*Continue to keep Terri Canino; Nora Smith; Jerry Garrett; Bob Gossett; Margaret Adams; Melba Sharp; Terrie Wilcox; Jason Elliott; Dorothy Yeager's niece, Marcine Owens; Edith Seger's sister, Ann; Dave & Janet Rhyne; Shelly Carter's dad, Jack Horton, and friend, Jenna Daughtry; Seth Fisher's grandfather, Jim Rickman; Helen Swindle's niece, Retha Barron; Addie Morris's sister, Jean Jackson, and Gwen Vaught's husband, Bobby, in your prayers.

Pulpit Preview:

December 24th

AM -- AC: Real in an Unreal World - Walk as Jesus Walked



December 31st

AM -- Authentic Christianity: Takeaways

PM -- Devotional

December 17, 2023

SUNDAY CLASS: 93
SUNDAY WORSHIP: 116
SUNDAY PM: 64
WEDNESDAY (20th): 71
BUDGET: \$4,500

OFFERING:

DECEMBER

Food Committee Leader

Melanie Whitley 501-328-3838

BIRTHDAYS: Dec. 24th - Jan. 6th 12/28 Luther Cummings Emma Leonard 12/30 01/04 Annie Blair Parker Wilcox 01/06 **ANNIVERSARIES:** Brad & Donna Beck 12/29 12/30 Glen & Colleen Elliott Richard & Burnadean Murray 12/30 🢐 Curtis & Hope Terry 01/01

UPCOMING EVENTS

DECEMBER 26th - Ladies Bible class will not meet.

<u>**DECEMBER 31st**</u> - Last Sunday of the month services: we will have a fellowship meal after morning worship followed by a 1pm afternoon service. No 5pm worship.

<u>JANUARY 2nd</u> - The Senior Adult Ministry class will meet at 10:30am with Charles Bane teaching from John chapter 6. There will be a fellowship meal following class, so sign up on the bulletin board in the hallway with what you will bring.

PREPARE COMMUNION

for:

<u>December 24th</u> -Sandra Blair <u>December 31st</u> -Kathy Camp



BIBLE QUIZ: 1 Timothy 5:9-16

- 1. A widow under the age of __ was not to be taken into the care of the church.
- 2. "But refuse *the* __ widows; for when they have begun to grow __ against Christ, they desire to marry, having condemnation because they have cast off their first faith."
- 3. "And besides they learn *to be* ___, wandering about from house to house, and not only idle but also gossips and ___, saying things which they ought not."
- 4. Paul desired the younger widows to ___, bear ___, and ___ the house.
- 5. "If any __ man or woman has widows, let them __ them..."

Answers to last week's quiz: father; mothers, sisters; really, repay; dead; provide, household